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of boric acid

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**Preliminary Amendment**

**To International Application No. PCT/US2005/009931**  
**Upon Entry Into The U.S. National Phase Under 35 U.S.C. 371**

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 23, 2006

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted upon entry of International Application No. PCT/US2005/009931 into the national phase under 35 U.S.C. 371.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.